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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
WESTERN DIVISION

MAINE STATE RETIREMENT  
SYSTEM, Individually and On Behalf  
of All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

vs.

COUNTRYWIDE FINANCIAL  
CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:10-cv-00302-MRP(MANx)

CLASS ACTION

DECLARATION OF SPENCER A.  
BURKHOLZ IN SUPPORT OF  
MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT AS  
LEAD PLAINTIFF AND APPROVAL  
OF SELECTION OF COUNSEL

DATE: May 3, 2010

TIME: 11:00 a.m.

CTRM: 12

JUDGE: Hon. Mariana R. Pfaelzer

1 I, SPENCER A. BURKHOLZ, declare as follows:

2 1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice before the courts of the State of  
3 California and this Court. I am a member of Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP,  
4 proposed lead counsel for Vermont Pension Investment Committee, Mashreqbank,  
5 p.s.c., Pension Trust Fund for Operating Engineers, Operating Engineers Annuity  
6 Plan, Washington State Plumbing & Pipefitting Pension Trust and Maine Public  
7 Employees Retirement System (collectively, the “Institutional Investor Group”) in the  
8 above-captioned action. I make this declaration in support of the Institutional Investor  
9 Group’s Motion for Appointment as Lead Plaintiff and Approval of Selection of  
10 Counsel. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated herein and, if called upon, I  
11 could and would competently testify thereto.

12 2. Attached are true and correct copies of the following exhibits:

13 Exhibit A: Notice of class action published on *Business Wire*, a national  
14 business-oriented publication, dated February 1, 2010;

15 Exhibit B: Institutional Investor Group’s sworn certifications;

16 Exhibit C: Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP firm résumé; and

17 Exhibit D: Barroway Topaz Kessler Meltzer & Check, LLP firm résumé.

18 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of  
19 America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 2nd day of April, 2010,  
20 at San Diego, California.

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22 s/ SPENCER A. BURKHOLZ  
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on April 2, 2010.

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